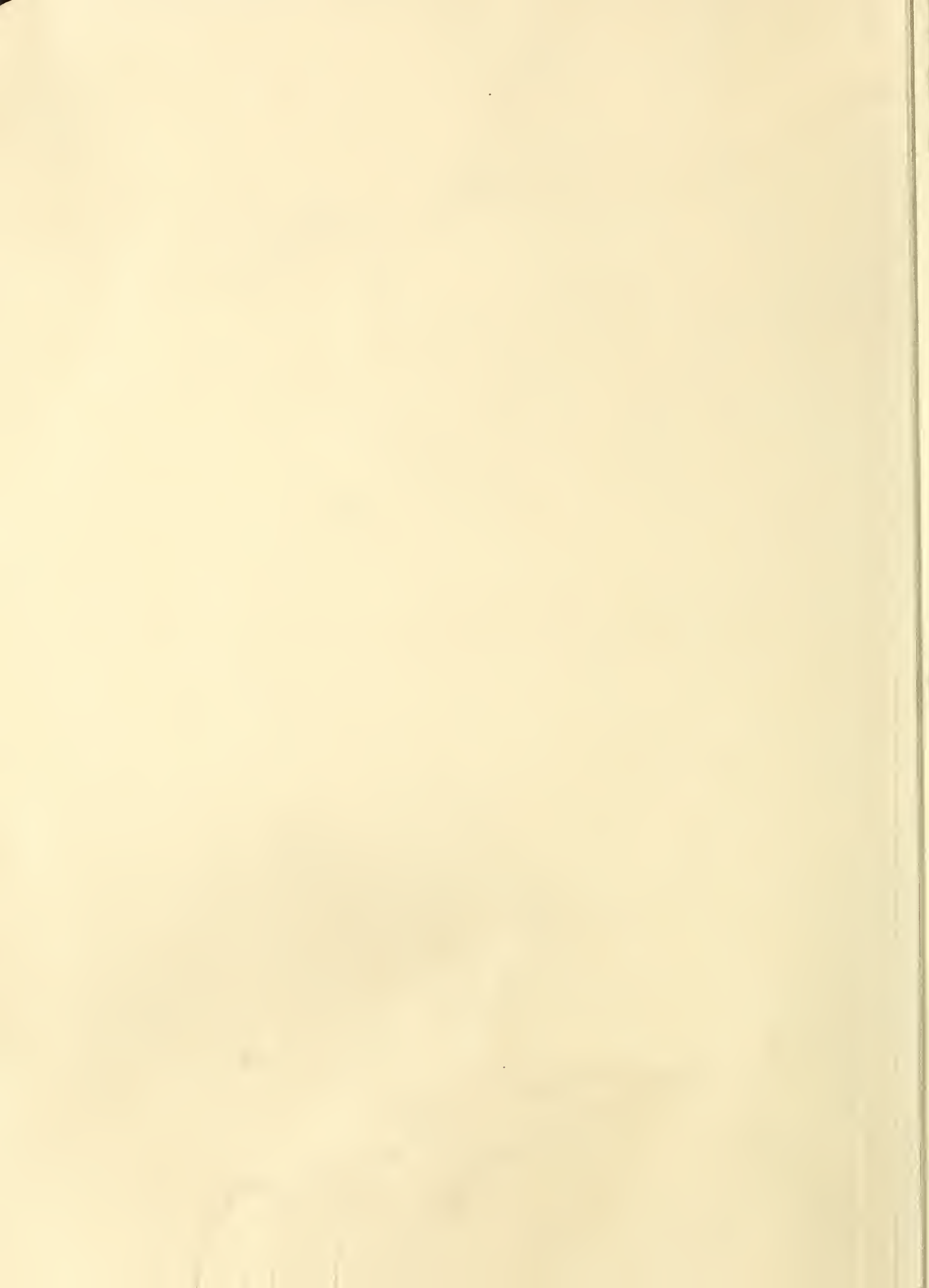


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COTTON QUALITY REPORT OF GINNINGS THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1948
SOUTHEASTERN AREA

GRADE AND LENGTH	GEORGIA								ALABAMA							
	AUG. 16-31				SEASON THRU AUGUST 31				AUG. 16-31				SEASON THRU AUGUST 31			
	DISTRICTS				DISTRICTS				DISTRICTS				DISTRICTS			
	STATE	1	2	3	STATE	1	2	3	STATE	1	2	3	STATE	1	2	3
	1947	1948	1948	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948	1948	1948	1947	1948	1948	1948
	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.
WHITE:																
G.M. AND ABOVE	.4	2.7	—	.2	4.3	.4	2.5	—	.1	—	—	—	.1	—	—	—
S.M.	9.1	26.9	1.4	8.2	39.4	8.9	25.7	—	12.7	4.9	12.2	8.4	2.7	12.3	4.3	—
M.	43.8	37.1	36.5	32.0	41.1	44.8	37.2	—	58.0	47.8	73.3	65.4	38.7	57.3	46.0	—
S.L.M.	41.2	26.8	42.2	45.3	12.7	40.5	26.9	—	24.9	41.2	41.1	23.2	49.2	26.1	42.0	—
L.M.	3.8	5.4	10.0	12.3	2.1	3.7	6.5	—	2.6	4.7	—	1.9	7.9	2.5	6.3	—
S.G.O.	.2	.4	1.4	.8	.2	.1	.5	—	.6	.2	—	.2	.4	.6	.3	—
G.O.	—	*	—	*	—	—	*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
SPOTTED:																
G.M.	—	*	—	—	.1	—	*	—	—	*	—	.1	—	—	*	—
S.M.	.8	.2	—	.5	.1	.8	.2	—	.5	.4	3.4	.4	.2	.5	.3	—
M.	.7	.2	—	.5	*	.8	.2	—	.6	.5	—	.3	.5	.6	.4	—
S.L.M.	*	.1	1.4	.1	*	*	.1	—	—	.2	—	—	.2	—	.2	—
L.M.	—	.1	7.1	—	—	—	.1	—	—	*	—	—	*	—	*	—
TG. & Y.S.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
GRAY	—	.1	—	.1	—	—	.1	—	—	*	—	—	.2	—	.2	—
BELOW GRADE 1/	*	—	—	—	*	*	*	—	*	*	—	.1	*	*	*	—
ALL GRADES	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	—	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	—
13/16 AND SHORTER	*	*	—	—	.1	*	.1	—	—	.1	—	.1	.1	—	.1	—
7/8	.4	.3	—	.2	.5	.4	.4	—	.1	.1	—	.1	.2	.1	.2	—
29/32	.4	.4	—	.1	.6	.4	.4	—	.2	*	—	—	.1	.2	.1	—
15/16	1.9	3.4	2.1	2.3	4.4	1.8	3.5	—	1.2	1.3	1.3	.7	1.4	1.0	1.2	—
31/32	11.2	12.9	.7	10.8	13.7	10.8	12.3	—	6.7	8.2	2.1	2.8	8.5	6.9	7.0	—
1	52.6	36.4	25.0	36.7	38.0	52.0	37.2	—	58.4	31.1	21.1	25.2	32.6	59.3	30.5	—
1-1/32	29.0	36.6	30.0	39.7	34.1	30.1	36.4	—	28.9	45.3	62.4	54.0	40.0	28.0	43.9	—
1-1/16	4.3	9.4	37.9	9.7	8.2	4.3	9.2	—	4.5	13.3	11.8	16.8	16.5	4.3	16.4	—
1-3/32	.1	.5	4.3	.5	.4	.1	.5	—	.2	.5	1.3	.3	.6	.2	.6	—
1-1/8	.1	*	—	*	—	.1	*	—	—	*	—	—	*	—	*	—
1-5/32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1-3/16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ALL LENGTHS	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	—	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	—
GRADE INDEX 2/	97.2	98.6	93.7	95.5	100.7	97.3	98.4	—	98.4	96.9	99.8	98.6	95.8	98.3	96.5	—
ROUGH PREPARATION 3/	16.1	13.9	39.3	18.1	11.2	16.3	14.5	—	17.7	23.6	2.5	14.6	28.4	17.9	24.4	—
AVE. LENGTH (32ND. IN)	32.2	32.3	33.1	32.4	32.2	32.2	32.3	—	32.3	32.6	32.9	32.8	32.6	32.3	32.7	—
TEND. ON FUTURES	83.3	85.5	50.7	80.8	88.6	83.1	84.9	—	81.8	76.0	97.5	85.1	71.0	81.6	75.1	—

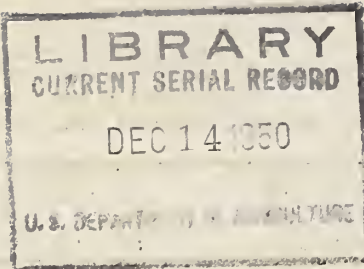
GRADE AND LENGTH	NORTH CAROLINA								SOUTH CAROLINA							
	AUG. 16-31				SEASON THRU AUGUST 31				AUG. 16-31				SEASON THRU AUGUST 31			
	DISTRICTS				DISTRICTS				DISTRICTS				DISTRICTS			
	STATE	1	2	3	STATE	1	2	3	STATE	1	2	3	STATE	1	2	3
	1947	1948	1948	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948	1948	1948	1947	1948	1948	1948
	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.	PCT.
WHITE:																
G.M. AND ABOVE	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
S.M.	—	10.5	1.1	—	11.4	—	10.5	—	—	3.9	—	4.2	6.4	.8	5.1	—
M.	—	83.1	77.6	—	84.5	—	83.1	—	55.7	60.8	—	62.4	53.1	55.6	61.2	—
S.L.M.	—	6.3	21.3	—	4.0	—	6.3	—	41.2	33.8	—	32.1	33.0	41.2	32.3	—
L.M.	—	.1	—	—	.1	—	.1	—	2.2	1.3	—	1.2	1.3	2.2	1.2	—
S.G.O.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	.1	.1	—	*	.1	.1	.1	—
G.O.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
SPOTTED:																
G.M.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	—	—	*	—	*	—
S.M.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	.1	—	—	.1	—	.1	—
M.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	*	—	*	—	*	*	—
S.L.M.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
L.M.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TG. & Y.S.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
GRAY	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
BELOW GRADE 1/	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	—
ALL GRADES	—	100.0	100.0	—	100.0	—	100.0	—	100.0	100.0	—	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	—
13/16 AND SHORTER	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7/8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29/32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	—	—	—	—	*	—	—
15/16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	.1	—	—	—	*	—	—
31/32	—	.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	.1	1.1	—	2.4	1.9	.1	2.2	—
1	—	6.5	—	—	6.2	—	6.5	—	14.9	18.2	—	15.0	25.2	14.9	19.1	—
1-1/32	—	42.2	—	—	48.3	—	42.2	—	64.7	56.5	—	55.7	54.3	64.6	55.4	—
1-1/16	—	43.5	63.3	—	41.9	—	43.5	—	20.2	23.4	—	25.6	17.6	20.2	22.4	—
1-3/32	—	6.5	27.6	—	3.4	—	6.5	—	—	.5	—	.6	.2	—	.4	—
1-1/8	—	1.2	8.0	—	.2	—	1.2	—	—	.1	—	.1	*	—	.1	—
1-5/32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	—	*	—	—	*	—
1-3/16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1-7/32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*	—	*	—	—	*	—
1-1/4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	.1	—	.1	—	—	.1	—
ALL LENGTHS	—	100.0	100.0	—	100.0	—	100.0	—	100.0	100.0	—	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	—
GRADE INDEX 2/	—	100.0	98.8	—	100.2	—	100.0	—	97.2	97.9	—	98.0	98.1	97.2	98.1	—
ROUGH PREPARATION 3/	—	5.2	24.1	—	2.3	—	5.2	—	13.5	13.9	—	13.1	14.1	13.5	13.4	—
AVE. LENGTH (32ND. IN)	—	33.5	34.4	—	33.4	—	33.5	—	33.0	33.0	—	33.1	32.9	33.0	33.0	—
TEND. ON FUTURES	—	94.8	75.9	—	97.7	—	94.8	—	86.4	86.1	—	86.9	85.9	86.4	86.5	—

1/ SAMPLES LOWER IN GRADE THAN THE LOWEST GRADES OF THE OFFICIAL STANDARDS.

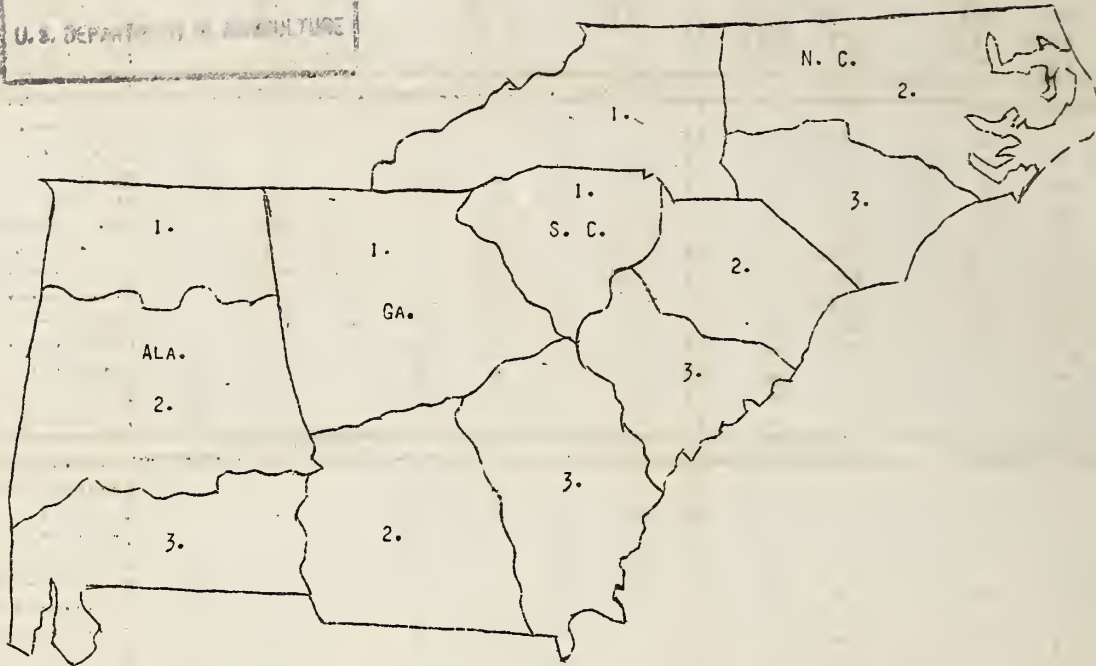
2/ MIDDLING WHITE EQUALS 100.

3/ SAMPLES REDUCED ONE OR MORE GRADES BECAUSE OF ROUGH PREPARATION.

* LESS THAN 0.05 PER CENT.



COTTON GRADE AND STAPLE DISTRICTS



SOUTHEASTERN AREA COTTON QUALITY REPORT FOR GINNINGS THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1948

HARVESTING OF THE 1948 COTTON CROP IS MAKING VERY RAPID PROGRESS THROUGHOUT THE SOUTHEASTERN STATES. GENERALLY FAIR AND HOT WEATHER PREVAILED OVER THE SOUTHEAST DURING THE LATTER PART OF AUGUST, WHICH ACCOUNTED FOR RAPID OPENING OF MUCH OF THE CROP. GINNING OPERATIONS ARE NOW ADVANCING RAPIDLY OVER MUCH OF THE LATER SECTIONS AND ARE NEARING SEASONAL PEAK IN THE EARLIER SECTIONS.

GRADE: EARLY GINNINGS OF THIS YEAR'S CROP WERE MOSTLY OF HIGH GRADE, AVERAGING HIGHER THAN THE GOOD RECORD OF LAST YEAR IN GEORGIA AND THE CAROLINAS. IN ALABAMA, HOWEVER, GRADES AVERAGED A LITTLE LOWER THAN AT THIS TIME A YEAR AGO. MIDDLING WAS THE PREDOMINANT GRADE IN EACH OF THE STATES, WITH SIGNIFICANT PROPORTIONS OF STRICT MIDDLING REPORTED IN GEORGIA AND NORTH CAROLINA. IN NORTH CAROLINA 83 PERCENT WAS MIDDLING, 61 PERCENT IN SOUTH CAROLINA, 46 PERCENT IN ALABAMA, AND 37 PERCENT IN GEORGIA. AN UNUSUALLY LARGE PROPORTION, 28 PERCENT, WAS STRICT MIDDLING AND HIGHER IN GEORGIA AGAINST 10 PERCENT IN NORTH CAROLINA, AND ABOUT 5 PERCENT IN ALABAMA AND SOUTH CAROLINA.

STAPLE: THE STAPLE LENGTH OF COTTON GINNED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1 THIS SEASON AVERAGED LONGER THAN A YEAR AGO IN ALABAMA AND GEORGIA AND WAS UNCHANGED IN SOUTH CAROLINA. THE AVERAGE LENGTH THIS SEASON WAS SLIGHTLY LONGER THAN 1 INCH IN ALABAMA AND GEORGIA, AND WAS 1-1/32 INCHES OR LONGER IN NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA. PRACTICALLY ALL COTTON GINNED THUS FAR THIS SEASON WAS 1 INCH AND LONGER IN STAPLE IN THE CAROLINAS. ABOUT 17 PERCENT OF GINNINGS IN GEORGIA WAS SHORTER THAN 1 INCH IN STAPLE AND IN ALABAMA 9 PERCENT WAS OF THE SHORTER LENGTHS. THE LONGER LENGTHS, 1-1/16 INCHES AND LONGER REPRESENTED 51 PERCENT OF GINNINGS IN NORTH CAROLINA, 23 PERCENT IN SOUTH CAROLINA, 17 PERCENT IN ALABAMA, AND 10 PERCENT IN GEORGIA.

GINNINGS: COTTON GINNED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1 THIS SEASON WAS FROM TWO TO FOUR TIMES THE QUANTITY GINNED TO THIS DATE LAST SEASON IN EACH OF THE SOUTHEASTERN STATES, AS CAN BE OBSERVED FROM THE FOLLOWING TABLE:

STATE	GINNINGS PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1	
	1948*	1947*
ALABAMA	110,883	24,605
GEORGIA	112,344	47,450
NORTH CAROLINA	-	-
SOUTH CAROLINA	93,163	23,295
FLORIDA	4,995	2,030

* AS REPORTED BY THE BUREAU OF THE CENSUS IN RUNNING BALES.

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